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WOMAN'S BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CORNER LUCAS AND CHANNING AVENUES

SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI, MAY 18TH, 1900

Annual Meeting Programme.

Devotional Meeting.

9:30 A.M.

Mrs. MEADE WILLIAMS, ... Missouri.

MORNING SESSION.

10 A.M.

Hymn—

Lord, we come before Thee now,
At Thy feet we humbly bow;
Oh, do not our suit disdain!
Shall we seek Thee, Lord, in vain?

Lord, on Thee, our souls depend,
In compassion now descend;
Fill our hearts with Thy rich grace,
Tune our lips to sing Thy praise.

In Thine own appointed way,
Now we seek Thee; here we stay;
Lord, we know not how to go,
Till a blessing Thou bestow.

Scripture, . . . Mrs. S. L. MCAFEE, Missouri.

Prayer, ... Mrs. E. N. BARRETT, Iowa.

The Field, ... Rev. G. F. MCAFEE.

Freedmen's Department, . . . Mrs. F. D. PALMER.

The Treasury, ... Miss S. F. LINCOLN.

Hymn—

Praise the Lord—for He is glorious;
Never shall His promise fail;
God hath made His saints victorious,
Sin and death shall not prevail.

Praise the God of our salvation,
Hosts on high His power proclaim;
Heaven to earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify His name.

Report of Secretary of Woman's Board, Mrs. F. H. PIERSON.

The Indian Field, . { Miss L. C. MILLER, Tahlequah.
Gen. PLEASANT PORTER, Chief of Creek Nation, Indian Territory.

Announcements, . . Mrs. ROBERT RANKEN,
Chairman of Committee of Arrangements.

Hymn—

If I still hold closely to Him,
What hath He at last?
"Sorrow vanquished, labor ended,
Jordan passed."

If I ask Him to receive me,
Will He say me nay?
"Not till earth, and not till heaven
Pass away."

Finding, following, keeping, struggling,
Is He sure to bless?
"Saints, apostles, prophets, martyrs,
Answer, Yes."

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2:30 P.M.

Hymn—

Now, O Lord, fulfill Thy pleasure,
Breathe upon Thy chosen band,
And, with pentecostal measure,
Send forth reapers o'er our land,
Faithful reapers,
Gathering sheaves for Thy right hand.

Broad the shadow of our nation,
Eager millions hither roam;
Lo! they wait for Thy salvation;
Come, Lord Jesus! quickly come!
By Thy Spirit,
Bring Thy ransomed people home.

Prayer, ... Mrs. D. M. Cooper, Michigan.

Responsive Reading, . Conditions of National Prosperity.

President's Address, . . Mrs. Darwin R. James.

Report of Young People's Work, Miss M. Josephine Petrie.

Hymn—

Speak to me by name, O Master,
Let me know it is to me;
Speak, that I may follow faster,
With a step more firm and free,
Where the Shepherd leads the flock,
In the shadow of the rock.

Our Magazines, ... Mrs. F. F. McCrea.

Voices from the Field.

Alaska, ... Mrs. J. H. De Vore.
Mexicans, ... Miss Lydia A. Hays.
Freedmen, ... Miss Lucy C. Laney.
Mountaineers, . . . Miss Julia E. Phillips.
Mormonism, ...

Hymn—

Thou art coming, O my Saviour!
Thou art coming, O my King!
In Thy beauty all-resplendent;
In Thy glory all-transcendent;
Well may we rejoice and sing!
Coming! In the opening east
Herald brightness slowly swells;
Coming! O my glorious Priest,
Hear we not Thy golden bells?

Thou art coming, Thou art coming!
We shall meet Thee on Thy way,
We shall see Thee, we shall know Thee,
We shall bless Thee, we shall show Thee
All our hearts could never say!
What an anthem that will be,
Ringing out our love to Thee,
Pouring out our rapture sweet
At Thine own all-glorious feet!

Closing Words and Prayer, Rev. Chas. L. Thompson, D.D.

THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS WILL ALSO BE HELD BY THE WOMAN'S BOARD:

Saturday morning, May 19th, 10:30 o'clock, a reception to Home Missionaries at **Cumberland** Church.

Saturday evening, May 19th, a Stereopticon Lecture by Rev. D. E. FINKS at Washington and Compton Avenue Church.

Sunday, May 20th, at 3 P. M., Popular Missionary Meeting at Washington and Compton Avenue Church.

Tuesday, May 22d, at 2 P. M., Synodical reports and election of officers, **Cumberland** Church.

Wednesday, May 23d, at 2 P. M., Conference of Workers, **Cumberland** Church.

Union Prayer Meetings, May 18th to 23d (except Sunday), 9:30 A. M., at **Cumberland** Church.

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Conditions of National Prosperity.

"Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."—Prov. xiv: 34.

Basis—

Leader.—"Ask counsel, we pray thee, of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous."—Judg. xviii: 5.

Response.—"Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people."—Isa. xxxiv: 1.

Leader.—"Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the Lord charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed."—I. Chron. xxii: 13.

Response.—"And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law."—Deut. iv: 8.

Obedience—

Leader.—"Ye stand this day all of you before the Lord your God."—Deut. xxix: 10.

Response.—"That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the Lord thy God, and into his oath, which the Lord thy God maketh with thee this day."—Deut. xxix: 12.

Leader.—"That he may establish thee to-day for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee a God."—Deut. xxix: 13.

Response.—"If ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine."—Ex. xix: 5.

Leader.—"The Lord shall establish thee a holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God and walk in his ways."—Deut. xxviii: 9.

Response.—"Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do."—Deut. xxix: 9.

Faithfulness—

Leader.—"Beware,.... Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein."—Deut. viii: 11, 12.

Response.—"And when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied."—Deut. viii: 13.

Leader.—"Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God."
Deut. viii: 14.

Response.—"And thou say in thine heart, my power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth."—Deut. viii: 17.

Leader.—"And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the Lord thy God....I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish."—Deut. viii: 19.

Response.—"If they obey and serve him they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures."—Job xxxvi: 11.

Godly Rulers—

Leader.—"Take heed, and hearken, O Israel."—Deut. xxvii: 9.

Response.—"The God of Israel said, The Rock of Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God."—II. Sam. xxiii: 3.

Leader.—"Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom the Spirit of God is?"
Gen. xli: 38.

Response.—"Thus saith the Lord of Hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel."—II. Sam. vii: 8.

Leader.—"By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth." "The Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man."
Prov. viii: 16. Gen. xxxix: 2.

Response.—"This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."—Josh. i: 8.

Municipal Purity—

Leader.—"Except the Lord keep the city, the watchmen waketh but in vain."
Psalms cxxvii: 1.

Response.—"Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! Wilt thou not be made clean? when shall it once be?"—Jer. xiii: 27.

Leader.—"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."
Psalms cxxii: 6.

Response.—"Babylon the great has fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird."
Rev. xviii: 2.

Leader.—"O let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said I will not destroy it for ten's sake."
Gen. xviii: 32.

Response.—"By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted; but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked."—Prov. xi: 11.

Leader.—"If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God."
Deut. xxviii: 2.

Response.—"Blessed shalt thou be in the city and blessed shalt thou be in the field."
Deut. xxviii: 3.

Sabbath Observance—

Leader.—"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."—Rev. ii: 29.

Response.—"Verily my Sabbath ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the Lord that doth sanctify you."—Ex. xxxi: 13.

Leader.—"But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the Sabbath day; ....then will I kindle a fire....and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem and it shall not be quenched."—Jer. xvii: 27.

Response.—"Hear this, all ye people; give ear all ye inhabitants of the world." "Both low and high, rich and poor, together."—Psalms xlix: 1, 2.

Leader.—"Blessed is the man....that keepest the Sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil."—Isa. lvi: 2.

Response.—"Also the sons of the stranger....every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant. Even them will I bring to my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer."—Isa. lvi: 6, 7.

Leader.—"Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The Spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak."—Mark xiv: 38.

Response.—"And all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the Lord hath said will we do."—Ex. xxiv: 3.

Confession—

Leader.—"O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned."—Dan. ix: 8.

Response.—"If my people, which are called by name, shall humble themselves, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land."—II. Chron. vii: 14.

Leader.—"O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God."—Dan. ix: 19.

Response.—"Continue in prayer and watch in the same with thanksgiving."
Col. iv: 2.

Praise—

Leader.—"Let the Lord be magnified which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant."—Psalms xxxv: 27.

Response.—"Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever."—Rev. vii: 12.

Leader.—"Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."—Rev. iv: 11.

Response.—"I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever: With my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations."—Psalms lxxxix: 1.

Prayer—

Leader.—"O Lord, let my Lord, I pray thee, go among us; for it is a stiff-necked people; and pardon our iniquities and our sins, and take us for thine inheritance."
Ex. xxxiv: 9.

Response.—"Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people....and the land which thou hast given us."—Deut. xxvi: 15.

Benediction—

Leader.—"Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces."
Psalms cxxii: 7.

Response.—"For the seed shall be prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things."—Zec. viii: 2.

All.—"And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honor before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them; and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it."
Jer. xxxiii: 9.